



DERBYSHIRE BLOOD BIKES

Report of the Trustees (Year ending 31 March 2022)

The Trustees of Derbyshire Blood Bikes present their annual report and financial summary for the year ending 31st March 2022, complying with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 and the Charity's Constitution. Our income levels require that the accounts are independently examined. The 2020/21 accounts were verified with no issues to report.

OUR AIM - Save our local NHS money and assist the medical services in treating patients

KEY CHARITY OBJECTIVES

- To provide a free medical courier service for the local NHS in Derbyshire
- To operate an efficient, effective and sustainable charity

By providing an *effective and efficient urgent medical courier service*, our local NHS can avoid the use of private courier service when a need cannot be met by the NHS courier service.

Our operating objectives remain to maintain a sustainable service to the NHS; ensure the charity has a sound financial base for operating; seek capital funding to maintain a modern reliable fleet to meet future demands; grow the volunteer base, both riders, fundraisers and administrators.

Our vision: 'to be the urgent courier of choice for the NHS'

REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

2021 continued to be blighted by limitations on regular activities until late 2021. The Covid-19 pandemic had profound effects for our charity and volunteers but, by carefully managing risks, our volunteers were protected from serious harm. However, the cancellation of fundraising activity and rising demand for our service raised serious concerns for the future of the Charity. Some of the 'online' fundraising did however deal with many of the financial challenges.

The 'perfect storm' really challenged our charity but the financial reserves we had built over the previous years, saw us come through those uncertain times.

However, those challenges remain. We entered the second year of the health emergency responding to similar demands to the first. There was another 13% increase in workload from the previous record year, with 9,821 jobs completed. 93 volunteers contributed to the service completing 2,900 shifts with over 23,000 hours of their time.

Sustainability – The events and fundraising programme slowly returned in late 2021 as meetings and outdoor activity returned to a more normal state.

OUR FINANCES

Despite the challenges outlined, the year has again been 'exceptional', with total income almost £68,000. Some significant donations came from the estate of Gerald Whitmore (£11,525), The Odd Fellows Society in Derby (£7,810), Horsley Lodge Captains Charity (£5000), Bloodstock Festival (£4,000) and Simpson Miller Lawyers (£4,000).

Capital Project Funding and Assets – We had a number of substantial donations yet again which supported the vehicle replacement program. With the fleet covering 275,000 miles in 2021, a number of motorcycles soon reached their replacement mileages resulting in 5 vehicles being added to the fleet.

Revenue Expenditure – The Charity took the decision to invest in two significant projects. The first was to develop the ability to handle incoming calls using a web-based telephony system. The second was a significant investment in a tracking system for the fleet and has improved efficiency, safety and security for charity assets and volunteers.

Volunteer Group – Volunteers provide around 450 hours of their time each week, filling 56 shifts for controllers, riders or drivers to cover 24-hours each day. This level of volunteering has proved difficult to sustain during the year, even with increased recruitment.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The key management group roles have largely remained consistent, but some change and additional members have bolstered the ability of the Management Group to carry out its functions.

Risk Management - The Management Group are responsible for the overseeing of risks to the Charity. Risks are identified, assessed and controls established throughout the year.

Risk is managed under the categories:

- financial sustainability
- volunteer safety and welfare
- events
- reputation

These are reviewed as part of the management group activity.

Work to build up a solid financial reserve did indeed provide a contingency when fundraising was difficult. Fleet additions are always commensurate with capital funding bids or grants, and these continue to have minimal impact on resources for revenue spending.

There have been no Critical Incidents (Any incident that could seriously damage the reputation of the charity) during this period.

The Charity is still well-placed to meet demand from our NHS in the short term, however, with rising operating costs towards the end of the financial year (fuel, servicing, insurances) the previously 'comfortable' financial position has diminished substantially. With operating costs exceeding £62,000 and a reserve balance only marginally higher, it is not inconceivable that we may look to re-shape some of our service to balance demand with the supply of volunteering-time and income.

The lifting of restrictions allowed us to hold a 'normal' AGM in the summer 2021 which was well attended. The business of re-electing committee members resulted in the proposed postholders being elected unopposed.

The Management Group consists:

Chairman – Dave Harvey

Secretary – Paul Smith

Vice Chairman – Andrew Woodward (stood down in January 2022)

Treasurer – Sue Vallis

Fleet Manager – Graham Worley

HR-Trainer – Graham Bennett

Operations Manager – Mark Vallis

Volunteer representatives – Sharon Mathews


Andrew Statham and Penny vanBerkel were co-opted onto the committee in February 2022.

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Insurance Providers: Ecclesiastical Insurance (Charity and Public Liability); Zurich Insurance (Fleet)

Registered Charity No. 1143149


 CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES	Derbyshire Blood Bikes			1143149
	Receipts and payments accounts			
	For the period from	1st April 2021	To	31st March 2022
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Section A Receipts and payments						
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds		Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £		to the nearest £
A1 Receipts						
Donations and fundraising	67,837			67,837		74,632
		-	-	-		-
	-	-	-	-		-
	-	-	-	-		-
	-	-	-	-		-
	-	-	-	-		-
	-	-	-	-		-
	-	-	-	-		-
Sub total(Gross income for AR)	67,837	-	-	67,837		74,632
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).						
Sale of motorcycles	600			600		3,375
						-
Sub total	600			600		3,375
Total receipts	68,437			68,437		78,007

A3 Payments						
Vehicle Running Costs	43,800			43,800		34,601
Insurances	7,533			7,533		7,317
Telephone	634			634		405
Volunteer Equipment	4,396			4,396		2,484
Admin Costs	1,699			1,699		944
						-
	-	-	-	-		-
	-	-	-	-		-
	-	-	-	-		-
Sub total	58,063	-	-	58,063		45,841
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)						
Vehicle Additions	32,329	-	-	32,329		18,375
		-	-	-		
Sub total	32,329	-	-	32,329		18,375
Total payments	90,392	-	-	90,392		69,751
Net of receipts/(payments)						
A5 Transfers between funds						-
A6 Cash funds last year end	92,277					46,372
Cash funds this year end	69,722			69,722		92,277

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Community Directplus Account	69,722	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	69,722	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
	Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets			-	-
			-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Vehicles			120,000
				-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name		Date of approval
		M.S. VALLIS		18 th July 2022



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

DERBYSHIRE BLOOD BIKES

On accounts for the year
ended

31/03/22

Charity no
(if any)

1143149

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above
charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/22.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the
accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011
("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out
under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I
have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission
under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to
undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of
applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have
come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that
disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material
respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130
of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements
concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities
(Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement
that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter
considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection
with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in
order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Katie Harris

Date:

18/07/22

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KATIE HARRIS

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qualification(s) or body

ACCA

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.